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## 2024 Point-in-Time Count

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Each January, Pierce County surveys people experiencing homelessness. This homeless “Point-in-Time (PIT) count” is a one-day snapshot that captures the characteristics and situations of people living here without a home. We counted 2,661 people, but roughly 6,335 were connected to our homeless crisis response system during the same time. The lower PIT count number reflects the challenge of counting a large, geographically distributed unsheltered population over a 24-hour period. Like all surveys, the PIT count has limitations. Results from the count are influenced by the weather, availability of overflow shelter beds, the number of volunteers, and the level of engagement from the people volunteers interview.

### 2,661 people counted during the homeless Point-in-Time Count

- 37% Female
- 8% Veterans
- 20% 55+ Years old
- 25% Chronically homeless
- 33% Black, Indigenous, or People of Color
- 7% Households with children
- 6% Adult survivors of domestic violence

### Not all people experiencing homelessness sleep outside

- 49% Emergency shelter (sheltered)
- 5% Transitional housing (sheltered)
- 21% Outdoors on the street or in a tent (unsheltered)
- 8% Vehicle (unsheltered)
- 16% Not reported/other\*

### Most told us they lived in Pierce County before experiencing homelessness

- 43% Pierce County
- 44% Not reported\*
- 6% Outside Washington
- 4% King County
- 3% Other Washington counties

### There are often many causes for experiencing homelessness. The top three most commonly reported answers are:

1. No affordable housing
2. Family crisis
3. Eviction

**Substance use is the most common reported disability. Here is the breakdown of the most commonly reported disabilities. Some people reported having multiple disabilities.**

- 26% Substance use
- 25% Chronic health condition
- 22% Physical disability
- 20% Mental health
- 8% Developmental disability

**Some people experiencing homelessness have an income**

- 45% Some income
- 39% No income
- 16% Not reported\*

\*Data listed as not reported may include incomplete surveys or respondents who refused to answer the question. Learn more at [www.piercecountywa.gov/PIT](http://www.piercecountywa.gov/PIT)